concerned District Administrations/State Governments are required to provide 4 acres land in a metropolitan city, 6 acres in a hilly terrain, 8 acres in an urban area and 10 acres in rural/semi urban area free of cost. Suitable temporary accommodation for school building and quarters for atleast 50% employees is also to be provided by the State Government till Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan is in a position to construct its own buildings. The actual sanction of Kendriya Vidyalayas also depends *inter-alia*, on availability of resources.

Statement

The number of Kendriya Vidyalayas in Existence in Uttaranchal, District-wise

Sl.No.	Name of District	Number of KVs
01.	Dehradun	15
02.	Hardwar	03
03.	Pauri Garhwal	03
04.	Chamoli	03
05.	Tehri Garhwal	02
06.	Uttarkashi	02
07.	Udham Singh Nagar	01
08.	Almora	02
09.	Pithoragarh	03
10.	Champawat	03
11.	Nainital	03
12.	Bageshwar	01
13.	Rudraprayag	01
	TOTAL	42

Quota in Higher Education

1217. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Monitoring Committee on Minorities Education (NMCME) has recommended quota in higher educational institutions like IIM, IIT etc.;

(b) his Ministry's views on the issue of reservation for religious minorities in higher educational institutions;

(c) the reasons for the low presence of minorities in these institutes; and

(d) the steps to remove this imbalance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Ministry is of the view that any proposal for reservation has to be with the concurrence of all concerned.

(c) There are socio-economic reasons for the low presence of minorities in these institutes.

(d) Under the Constitution of India, minorities have been given the right to establish and administer educational institutions of their choice. Scheme for remedial coaching to students of minority communities and for their training to appear in competitive examinations like NET and for services are also being implemented by the Government and its agencies.

Universities with potential excellence

1218. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that five universities have been declared as universities with potential for excellence;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the criteria for declaring such universities;

(d) the details of the proposals received from Tamil Nadu for declaring more universities as ones with excellence; and

(e) the decision taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) The University Grants Commission (UGC) has, so far, identified five Universities with Potential for Excellence (UPE), namely, the Jadavpur University, the Jawaharlal Nehru University, the University of Hyderabad, the University of Madras and the University of Pune. Each University is eligible for an